## National Transportation Safety Board NTSB ID: DCA07MA003 Most Critical Injury: Fatal PRELIMINARY REPORT Occurrence Date: 10/11/2006 Investigated By: NTSB AVIATION ICAO Report Submitted: Occurrence Type: Accident ETYBO Location/Time State Nearest City/Place Zip Code Local Time Time Zone **FDT** Manhattan NY 0000 Aircraft Information Registration Number Aircraft Manufacturer Model/Series Number **SR-20** N929CD Cirrus Design Corp. Type of Aircraft: Airplane Homebuilt Aircraft? No Fatal Serious Minor None 2 Injury Summary: Sightseeing Flight: No Air Medical Transport Flight: No

## Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

On October 11, 2006, about 2:42 PM eastern daylight time, a Cirrus SR-20, N929CD, crashed into an apartment building in New York City. Both people on board the airplane were killed and the airplane was destroyed by impact forces and post crash fire. No fatalities occurred on the ground. Substantial damage occurred to several of the residences in the building. The pilot and owner was New York Yankee player Cory Lidle, and a California based flight instructor was with him. The flight was operating under the provisions of 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 91. The flight had taken off from Teterboro Airport in New Jersey and appeared to be sightseeing around Manhattan.

Parties to the investigation include the Federal Aviation Administration, Cirrus Design Corporation, Teledyne Continental Motors, Ballistic Recovery System and Hartzell Propeller. The engine and propellers have been shipped to their respective manufactures for NTSB led teardowns and examinations. Instruments of interest have been sent to the NTSB headquarters for further detailed examination. The on-scene portion of the investigation has been completed. The following groups have been formed: airworthiness, operations, witnesses, powerplant, radar, aircraft performance, and weather.

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Other A	ircraft Involved		•									
Registration Number Aircraft Manufacturer								Model/Series Number				
Accider	nt Information											
						Occurred Durin	ng: Ma	neuvering				
Property Damage:												
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Operator Information												
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Street Address Ci					ty	,				State	Zip Code	
-Type of Certificate(s) Held: None												
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):												
Operating Certificate:						Operator Certificate:						
Regulation	Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation											
Type of F	light Operations Conduc	ted: Personal										
Flight F	Plan/Itinerary											
Type of Flight Plan Filed:												
Last Departure Point					State Airport Identifie			Identifier				
Destination						0			4			
Destination						State	Airport	dentifier				
Weathe	er Information											
Investigator's Source:					Facility ID:			Observation Time (Local):				
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Wind Speed:	Kts.	Gusts:	Kts.	Weath	er Conditions at Accident S	Site:			
Administration Data									
Notification From						Date	Local Time		
FAA						10/11/2006			
FAA District Office/Coordinator					Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)				
Christine Soucy					Lorenda Ward				